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October 16, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SALE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT SURPLUS REAL PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF GLENDALE HALLS CANYON CHANNEL - PARCELS 153EXF.1 THROUGH 153EXF.11 (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve the sale of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District surplus property along Halls Canyon Channel in the City of Glendale.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

- 1. Find the proposed sale categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Find that the fee interest along Halls Canyon Channel, Parcels 153EXF.1, 153EXF.2, 153EXF.3, 153EXF.4, 153EXF.5, 153EXF.6, 153EXF.7, 153EXF.8, 153EXF.9, 153EXF.10, AND 153EXF.11, located between La Crescenta and Roselawn Avenues in the City of Glendale, is no longer required for the purposes of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.
- 3. Authorize the sale of Halls Canyon Channel, Parcels 153EXF.1, 153EXF.2, 153EXF.3, 153EXF.4, 153EXF.5, 153EXF.6, 153EXF.7, 153EXF.8, 153EXF.9, 153EXF.10, AND 153EXF.11, from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to the adjacent property owners for fair market value.

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4. Delegate authority to the Chief Engineer, or her designee, to sign Quitclaim Deeds in connection with the future sale of Halls Canyon Channel Parcels 153EXF.1, 153EXF.2, 153EXF.3, 153EXF.4, 153EXF.5, 153EXF.6, 153EXF.7, 153EXF.8, 153EXF.9, 153EXF.10, and 153EXF.11 and authorize delivery to the adjacent property owners.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval from the Board, acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), to allow the LACFCD to sell a portion of its surplus property along Halls Canyon Channel, Parcels 153EXF.1 through 153EXF.11, located between La Crescenta and Roselawn Avenues in the City of Glendale to the adjacent property owners for fair market value.

The LACFCD acquired fee title to this reach as part of the land needed for the Halls Canyon Channel project. Construction of the facility has been completed, and the subject excess parcels lie outside of the required right of way.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 2). The revenue received from this transaction will help promote fiscal sustainability for the operation and maintenance of flood control facilities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

Properties to be sold in the future will be sold at the then current fair market value. All monies paid will be deposited into the Flood Control District Fund.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Parcels 153EXF.1, 153EXF.2, 153EXF.3, 153EXF.4, 153EXF.5, 153EXF.6, 153EXF.7, 153EXF.8, 153EXF.9, 153EXF.10, AND 153EXF.11 are located between La Crescenta and Roselawn Avenues along Halls Canyon Channel in the City of Glendale. The current owners of the adjacent properties have expressed their interest in purchasing the parcels.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65402, notifications of the proposed sales were submitted to the appropriate agency for its report as to conformance with the adopted General Plan of the agency. Since no answer was received within the 40-day period as stipulated in this section, it is conclusively deemed the proposed sale is in conformance with the adopted General Plan.

The proposed sale is authorized by Section 2, paragraph 13, of the Los Angeles County Flood Control Act. This section provides as follows: "Said Los Angeles County Flood Control District is hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, and as such shall have the power ...13. To lease, sell or dispose of any property (or any interest therein) whenever in the judgment of said board of supervisors said property, or any interest therein or part thereof, is no longer required for the purpose of said district..."

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The proposed sale will not hinder the use of Halls Canyon Channel for possible transportation, utility, recreational corridors, or flood control purposes.

The Quitclaim Deed document will be approved by County Counsel as to form and will be recorded.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed sale is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15312 of the CEQA Guidelines and Class 12 of the Los Angeles County Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. These exemptions provide for the sale of surplus government property. The surplus properties under the proposed sale do not have significant values for wildlife habitat or other environmental purposes and are incapable of independent development.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action will eliminate the need to maintain the property and reduce the cost of the LACFCD's expenses and potential liabilities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division. Retain the duplicate for your files.

Respectfully submitted,

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**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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